

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 5-13 are amended for clarity. No new matter is added by this Amendment.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner Sever in the April 11, 2006 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

Each of independent claims 1 and 5-13 recites an image that is projected only into an overlap area. That is, as recited in the claims, an image is projected only into an overlap area by correcting an image signal.

As acknowledged by the Examiner during the April 11, 2006 personal interview, U.S. Patent No. 6,558,006 (Ioka) fails to disclose projecting an image only into the overlap area.

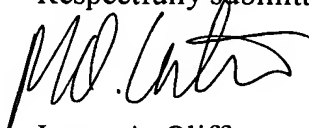
Instead, Ioka discloses projecting images so that portions of a plurality of images overlap one another in order to display images seamlessly. In particular, Ioka's projection means projects an image on the portions other than the overlap area. Furthermore, Ioka requires an extra step of correcting the brightness so that the overlap area and other portions have the same brightness. See col. 8 of Ioka.

For the foregoing reasons and as acknowledged by the Examiner during the April 11, 2006 interview, claims 1 and 5-13, as well as the claims depending therefrom, are not anticipated by Ioka. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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